COMMITTEE TO MEET HERE ON THE

Style of Desks to Be Then Determined -A New System of

\*House of Representatives will meet to decide in regard to the furnishing of the hall of the House, the lobby and the fourteen committee rooms which have been secured by a reconstruction of the old Congressional Library portion of the Capitol. This committee consists of Representatives Cannon, Dalzell and Richardson, and the architect of the Capitol will have before them general projects for their approval.

There are two plans for desks for the hall of the House of Representatives. One is to have individual desks as in the past and the other is to have a continuous desk from aisle to aisle, with an ornamental metal piece to divide the portions for each

This will give additional writing space on the tops of the desks, and a very important comfort to be obtained from it will be the large open space beneath the very little space in which to move. Whether the continuous or the individual desk is to be adopted will be for the com-

#### Will Be Solid Mahogany.

Whatever style is adopted, solid mahogany furniture will be used both in the hall, the lobby and the new committee rooms. The widest competition is to be called in to secure the most artistic effect in the general furnishing to be provided, for which \$61,000 was appropriated by the last Con-

Bress.
At least twenty firms are to submit de-At least twenty firms are to submit designs for this furniture, their only restriction in securing the highest degree of artistic effect being that the whole must not cost more than \$61,000, and that their designs must be simple in effect so that quiet elegance rather than a gaudy effect can be secured. can be secured.

Firms that will compete for this work

Firms that will compete for this work are located in all parts of the country, and it is believed that they will take more than moneyed interest in providing furniture for the Capitol building, the fact of the approval of their plans naturally being an important advertisement for the successful firm.

New System of Ventilation. When the hall of the House of Represen-

tatives has been renovated and provided with a new system of ventilation and new furniture it is believed it will be a model legislative chamber.

defective system of ventilation which has been improved from time to time, but which has been distinctly unsatisfactory when the galleries have been crowded for any considerable time.

The system of ventilation to be provided

will permit warm air to be brought in through perforated chair and desk stands and passed out through the roof.

The warm air will be forced into the chamber and electric fans operating in a cupola on the roof will keep a steady curtent of air going out of the hall. But this

ventilating system has been so arranged that this may be reversed and the air can be forced in from above and withdrawn through the ducts at the floor. This system will permit the rapid cooling off of the chamber at any time it is desir-

able. A volume of cool air from the roof ban be forced down at any time, and the application of this plan after long night sessions in the heated period of the year when Congress has been detained into June and July, it is believed, will add to the comfort of the hall.

#### WATER MAIN ASSESSMENTS.

Attorney Duvall's Report on Request for Concellation.

The attorney for the District, Mr. A. B. Duvall, today rendered an opinion in the matter of the water main assessments -levied August 10, 1895, against two parcels of land owned by Harry J. Daley, viz: A tract of 1.16 acres, plat 12, Brightwood | avenue, and a tract of fifteen acres, plat 13. Brightwood avenue. As to the first-named 1.16-acre tract the

assessment against this tract was canteled, he finds, under authority of the act of Congress approved June 2, 1900, hereinafter mentioned. It appears to him that this property was conveyed May 8, 1900, by Daley to James Cardinal Gibbons, and that the reassessment of the water main tax directed by said act of Congress has been erroneously duplicated against said tract, name of James Cardinal Gibbons and again in the name of Harry J. Daley.

"I am of the opinion," says Mr. Duvall, "that the reassessment in the name of Daley should be canceled, and that the ressessment in the name of James Cardinal should stand, he having been the owner of the property since May 8 1000 'As to the fifteen-acre tract, the original

assessment was \$609.06; but it appears that this tract was erroneously assessed on a intage of 487.25 feet, instead of 340.56

The act of June 2, 1900, directed the cancellation of unpaid water main taxes on Brightwood avenue "where water had not been introduced from said main into oining property since said main was

for this fifteen-acre tract prior to June 2. 1980, but it seems that in the report that the Commissioners made to Congress on he pending bill authorizing the cancellaion of this assessment it was incorrectly slicated that the main had not been tapped for this property; and the question is suggested whether for that reason this tract is not within the intent of the act. There does not seem to be any room for construction of this portion of said act of Congress. Its language is clear and spe-cific. It provided only for a cancellation of the assessment 'where water had not

The original assessment against the fifteen-acre tract has not been canceled, but a reassessment of the tax was made This reassessment, having been made with-out authority of law, should be canceled. "I am of opinion the original assessment, corrected as above indicated, should

### MR. ALLEN'S RECOMMENDATIONS.

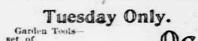
Matters Under Supersision of Electric Lighting Department.

Owing to the bad condition of the wires, Mr. W. C. Allen, the District electrical engineer, has recommended that the electric light service in the western portion of the municipal building be discontinued, and it is expected that the Commissioners will adopt his recommendation and depend upon gas for light in that portion of the structure. The wires in the eastern half are in good order.

Reporting upon the request of Major Geo. A. Armes for the erection of electric lights on Albemarle street at Connecticut Mr Allen says it will not be possible to maintain any incandescent electric lights on Albemarle street west of Con-necticut avenue this fiscal year owing to the lack of funds. Should the electric lighting company be willing to maintain these lights without cost, he states, the permit to erect the poles can be readily obtained, but it does not seem desirable to his department to request the company to do so without cost. The question of the extension of incandescent lights on this extension of incandescent lights on this street will be taken up, he says, the next fiscal year in connection with the exten-sions of the same system asked for by the Northwestern Citizens' Suburban Associa-

### Lunacy Proceedings.

Lunacy proceedings were today instituted by the Commissioners of the District of Co-Tumbia against eleven persons, all of whom are alleged to be insane and unfit to be at large in the District. Their names are Olive G. Baker, John Capehart, Hannah Cherry, Ellen Downey, Ella V. Milstead and Florence Williams, all white, and Esther Campbell, Lewis Bryant, Bessie Washington, Susan A. Thornton and Aus-



Tuesday Only.



Tuesday Only.  Tuesday Only.

# These Specials Are for Tuesday Only---

The second of our extraordinary one-day sales will blaze into greater enthusiasm the interest kindled by Monday's unprecedented offerings. The selection is along the most-in-demand lines. The prices are distinctly and decidedly concessions below any previous quotation. The word bargain has never had such meaning before. But the designation for one day is strictly adhered to. FOR TUESDAY ONLY.

### Laces and Trimmings.

A third—a half—and in some cases even more—is savable through this one-day special sale.

18-Inch Lace All-overs, 18 inches wide, in White, Butter and Ecru. There will be six new and effective patterns in the assortment for choice, Worth \$1.50 a yard, for......

1.500 yards of Point de Paris Luce, Edges and Insertings, 2 to 4 inches wide; immense collection of patterns. Regular prices are 1214c, and 15c. a yard. TUES-DAY ONLY.

Gold Trimming Buttons, the kind that are always and everywhere 5c. a 2c.

### Infants' Wears=-Tuesday Only Specials.

The mothers will have a rich harvest tomorrow. These specials will give the family needle a long rest.

Infants' Short Skirts, made of Cambric, with tuck and hem. RE-DUCED from 35c. to....... 121/2C. Short Cambric and Nainsook Slips; size 1 and 2 years: with hemstitched yokes and skirts and trimmed with edge. D5C. Short Nainsook Slips, with yoke, trimmed on neck and sleeves with 75c. Infants' Short Skirts, trimmed with embroidery and hemstitching, REDUCED from 75c. to 49c.—and Plain Hemstitched Short Skirts, REDUCED from 25c. Infants' Long Nainsook Slips, neatly made, with yokes, trimmed with embroidery and laces; deep hem on skirts. REDUCED from \$1.50 and \$1.00 Nainsook Long Skirts, made in yoke and Children's Muslin Gowns, with tucks and embroidery yoke; sizes 3 to 39C.

Umbrellas Worth up to \$5 - - -

In the lot are 300—both men's and women's-26 and 28-inch Taffeta Silk covers over paragon frames, and mounted on silver, ivory, silver trimmed ivory, horn, pearl and natural wood handles.

Certainly is a rare chance-and it's limited to one day only TOMORROW.

#### Men's \$1.00 and \$1.25 Fancy Shirts - - - -

Let a thousand men come and they willbe supplied. These are brand-new spring patterns, in fine Percale and Madras, stiff bos-

om shirts; from one of the best shirtmakers in this country. special price is for TUESDAY ONLY.

Men's newest effects in Fancy Half Hose, of the usual 25c. 3 for 50c. 

## Biggest of Ladies' Shoes Specials.

Remember, this is a one-day sale. We positively must decline a choice of these Shoes on Wednesday except at regular

Lot of Ladies' Patent Leather and Vici Kid Strap Slippers; one, two and three cross-straps with cut steel creaments; new styles and \$1.75 worth \$3. SPECIAL.....

## Jewelry Specials == Tuesday Only.

We will sell tomorrow sixty of these \$1.25 75C. Watches; guaranteed for one year; nickel case, stem setter and winder-at.....

Heavy Sterling Silver Link Bracelets; plain and chased; never have been sold for less than 50c. TOMORROW 33c. Imported Hard-enamel Brooch Pins, set with pearls and brilliants. SPE-CIAL, in Tuesday's salet...... 39c.

Ladies' Solid Gold Rings, set with three and four stones-turquoise, emeralds, sapphires, amethysis, garnets and pearls. SPECIAL for Tuesday, only. Gold and Oxidized Belt Buckles, set with turquoise; many styles. SPE- Oc.

You'll note the special prices are only about half. Isn't it worth while to attend such a sale?

Saks Mutual Hooks and Eyes, in White and Black, and all sizes. 6 for 11c. Ladies' and Children's Side Garters, in White and Black; regular 10c. a 5c.

#### Bicycle Sundries. (Third Floor, West.)

Bicycle Tool Bags, worth 25c. 10c. Fancy Painted Bleyele Rims. 15c.

50 dozen Silvertown Golf Balls, very old;

matie; worth \$3.50. Special.. \$1.69 wood and irons. Special ..... Bicycle Lacing Cords, assorted 7c.

## Golf Goods.

worth \$4 a dozen. One dozen \$2.98 to a customer. Spalding \$1.50 Golf Clubs, \$1.00

Scotch Plaid Caddy Bags, with leather bottoms; worth \$2.19

### Irresistible Handkerchief Leaders.

All three are for Tuesday only. Both men and women will profit by them.

Ladies' Pure Linen Hemstitched Handker-chiefs, sheer and fine. Re-

Ladies' Embroidered and Lace-trimmed Hand-

10c.

#### Photo Supplies. (Third Floor, West.)

Seed's Hydrochinon Developing Powder; worth 25c. a box of 6 tubes. 18c. Printing Frames sizes un cluding 4x5; worth 12c. each. Not 7c. Saks' M.-K. Tubes for Velox and Dekko Papers; guaranteed; worth 60c. 18c.

2 to a customer..... Fancy Colored Photographs, size 20x24, in 6-inch gilt frames; popular \$2.25 subjects; worth \$5....

Florentine styles; size 10x14,23c.

#### HOW TO FATTEN QUAIL. Novel Scheme to Induce Them to Feed Many Times Daily.

From the London Express, "Nice, plump birds, ain't they, sir?"

It was in Leadenhall market, and the speaker was a nondescript person, with a suggestion of feathers and the loose hairs of dogs about him. The reference to plumpness applied to many rows of quails displayed on the stall of a poulterer; and the man seemed to gloat lovingly over the array of little birds.

They were admittedly plump. "I stuffed them birds," he continued, discursively. "But they're not stuffed birds, they're

eal." "Garn it," he remarked, with scorn. "I don't mean the coves as fills a bird's skin with feathers and puts 'im on a wire under glass shade. We stuff 'em for the martet to get 'em fat. Lor, bless ye, when

them birds come from Egypt-that's where they breed 'em, mostly-there ain't a pickin' of flesh on their bones. We feeds em up, artificial."
"Rather slow work, isn't it? You cram
them. I suppose, like turkeys?" "Who are you gettin' at, mister? D'ye mean to say you don't know 'ow they faten quails for table? No? Why, it's all

done by e-lectric light. Yes, and we gets em plump in less'n a week. "You see, when the qualis come to us they're in big crates—cages like. We take 'em to a big cellar, underground, turns off he electric light, and let 'em 'ave a sleep. Then we turn the light on and give 'em a

morning, and eats 'earty. So they eats a eavy breakfast, and then we turns out the ights, and they go to sleep again. "Seems simple enough. But what makes them fatten so quickly?"

"Why, in two hours we turns on the and thinks it's tomorrow-not knowin' d'ye see, wot electric light is. So as the sun's up, accordin' to their belief, they sets to and 'as another breakfast. Then we turns off the light again, gives 'em another nap, rouses 'em again, 'ave another break-

"I've known the birds feed as many as

six times of a arternoon, thinkin' each time they wuk up it was next mornin'."
"How does their appetite last out? Don't they feel a bit full?"
"Full ain't the word. Stuffed to the neck, they are. But they know it's their dooty to eat when the sun rises, an' they do it. Some of 'em that's a bit old and

fast, an' there you are.

artful, they suspects a bit.

"I've seen an old cock bird squint up at the light, and then, at his food, and shake his wings, and peck at the place where is stomach is a-givin 'im trouble. Then he begins to refuse 'is food, and takes to frettin' and won't fatten no more. "'Ome sickness, some says it is; but not me. The little beggar 'as dyspepsia, that's

and goes through the same feelin's as the coves you read about in the papers 'as saved their lives by takin' to Buffin's Blue Pills for Bilious Blokes.
"We don't give 'em no pills-just pick 'em out, wring their necks, and sell 'em to the cheap restorongs."

#### CASUALTIES IN PHILIPPINES. Recent Deaths and Wounds Reported

by Gen. MacArthur. General MacArthur at Manila reports that the following deaths have occurred since last report:

Dysentery-April 8, Company A, Battalion of Engineers, U. S. A., Sergeant Patrick F. Duggan; April 9, Company B. 41st Infantry, John A. Soby; March 19, Company M. 45th Infantry, Corporal William Lochead; March 15, Company I, 31st Infantry, John E. Hayes.
All other causes-April 14, Company E,

46th Infantry, Sergeant Arthur B. Hersey; April 1, Hospital Corps, Joe Chapman; March 20, Company M, \*7th Infantry, Cor-The petitions were presented to Justice Barnard, who signed orders appointing physicians to examine the parties. The hearings will take place in the room of Criminal Court No. 1 Friday next, at 2 p.m.

April 1, Company M, 17th Infantry, Corporal Fred O. Brown; April 3, Company A, 19th Infantry, Nathaniel F. Power; March 31, Company I, 18th Infantry, John Tolley; April 14, Company G, 42d Infantry, Geo.

. Norton; April 13, Company H, 4th Infantry, Cesario Torres; March 22, at sea, Company B, 28th Infantry, Ira L. Walker; April 8, Company A, 16th Infantry, Alfred

Drowned, body not recovered March 30 Company K, 2d Infantry, Alfred G. Post. Other deaths—April 1, Company K, 15th Infantry, Frank M. Danitz; March 27, Company C, 16th Infantry, Patrick Burns; March 12, Company I, 17th Infantry, Chas.

The following were wounded: March 14, Laguna, Samar, Battery F, 4th Artillery, Corp. Robert J. McLauchlin, side, severe: March 19, Mayana, Bosol, Company G, 44th Volunteer Infantry, Willard W. May, wounded in leg above knee, slight; March 23, Candelaria, Luzon, Company I, 21st Infantry, John McQueenle, ankle, wounded in foot, slight; April 14. Norzogaray, Luzon, hospital corps, Henry V. Garland, wounded n chest, serious; March 16, Donsol, Luzon, A. 47th Volunteer Infantry, Richard Mason, wounded in thigh, serious; Antonio Laparta, elbow, severe; Hiram Blizzard, wounded in thigh, slight; Company D, 47th Volunteer Infantry, Frank Remars, wounded in thigh, slight; March 18, Penarand, Luzon, Troop A, 4th Cavalry, Dwight F. Lawson, wounded in shoulder, slight; Troop G, 4th Cavalry, Alan R. Blackburn, wounded in leg above knee, serious; Asst. Surg. U. S. Grant Deaton, heel, slight; February 26, Narvacan, Luzon. Company G, 33d Volunteer Infantry, Jas F. Treadaway, wounded in foot, moderate; March 29, Talisay, Luzon, Troop C, 6th Cavalry, Ewing Wright, finger, slight; James Creed, wounded in thigh, moderate

### Files a Complaint.

A letter has been received by the District Commissioners from Mr. Rufus W. Pearson of 628 I street in which he says he not long ago reported a street fight, which occurred in front of his residence, to the chief of police and received a courteous reply, in which it was stated that the parties would be apprehended and brought to trial. On the 19th instant, he says, he was summoned as a witness to appear against the parties. The man was not tried, but the clerk of the court, he al-leges, told him rudely that the defendant had forfeited his deposit. Nothing seems to have been done about the matter, he declared, further than arresting the parties, turning one loose and fining the other Mr. Pearson complains that he was humiliated by the treatment he received in the Police Court. Commissioner Ross, who has immediate

charge of the police department, will probably refer Mr. Pearson's communication to the chief of police. Seat Pleasant and Vicinity. Special Correspondence of The Evening Star.

SEAT PLEASANT, April 20, 1901. Thanks to The Star, the grand jury of this county has just returned several indictments against Sunday violators of the law at Chesapeake Junction, near here. The jury also recommended that Andrew Beach and James C. Godfrey be refused a liquor license for the coming year at Chesapeake Junction. Surveyors are at work on a new electric line from Chesapeake Junction to Baltimore and Annapolis.

Grading for the Kenilworth extension of the Columbia electric railroad is about completed. The officials are waiting for the rails and ties.

Mr. Frank Collins has moved into his handsome cottage on Central avenue. Many Marylanders are moving back into the county near here in order to retain their right of suffrage, jeopardized by the Gorman election law passed at the recent

session of the Maryland legislature

Citizens here are expressing indignation at the proposed abolishment of the Seat Pleasant post office. They say that if they are to have a rural free delivery of mail it should start from this office and not from Deanewood, which is situated in the District of Columbia. They have prepared a strong petition against the proposed

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

### FIRES ON SHIPBOARD.

Method of Discovery and Extinction Invented by a Berlin Chemist. Consul Liefeld at Freiburg has sent to the State Department the following article on extinction of fire on shipboard, taken from a European journal devoted to the

"Some experiments have been made at Bremen in connection with a new mode of extinguishing fires on board ship, invented by a Berlin chemist. The objects aimed at and said to have been attained. by the new system, are: First, to give timely notice, by means of a special apparatus, of any fire which may break out in the hold of a shlp; and second, to promptly extinguish the same by pumping

"This chemist claims that when a fire breaks out in a ship's hold if his system is followed the fire will be automati-cally announced on deck; it will be kept under surveillance from the deck and extinguished by operations carried out on the deck. His system consists in fitting pipes in every compartment of the vessel municating with the deck, acting as safety valves, through which smoke and heated air may ascend to the deck in case of fire and give the alarm; further, thermometers and alarms may be lowered down watch the progress of a fire in the hold hatches or entering the hold, and, lastly (which is the principal feature of the system), down these pipes is pumped the carbonic acid gas, which will extinguish the fire. The gas can be forced among the cargo at any required pressure, and it will permeate everything, even tightly stowed cotton bales.

### GEN. CORBIN'S RESIDENCE.

He Purchases a Building Site at 22d and R Streets. Gen. Corbin has bought a building site

and intends to erect a house. The dwelling will probably be ready for occupancy next fall. It is on the northeast corner of 22d and R streets, just one block south and a little to the west of the location recently acquired by the French government to be the site of a proposed building for the use of the embassy to this country. In this purchase, which was made through

Ben. B. Bradford, real estate broker, in connection with W. C. Hill and Thos. E. Waggaman, also real estate brokers, two lots were acquired, each 25 feet front by a depth of 100 feet. The price paid was \$2.62½ per square foot.

#### MONUMENT SOCIETY MEETS. Vacancies Filled and Tributes Adopt-

ed in Memory of Decemsed Members. A meeting of the Washington Monument Society was held Saturday evening at the residence of Mr. S. H. Kauffmann, 1421 Massachusetts avenue. There were present Mr. Justice Brown, Judge M. F. Morris, Mr. Wm. A. Maury, Mr. Henry A. Willard, Dr. D. B. Clarke, Mr. Kauffmann and Mr. A. R. Spofford. Commemorative action was taken on the deaths of the late Senator Sherman and Col. J. G. Berret, members of the society. By reason of his change of residence to

Mr. Justice Brown was elected first vice president, to succeed the late Col. Berret and Mr. Harvey was made secretary.

The object of the meeting concluded, the society adjourned. The Careless Ashman.

like to know who is to be fined when the metal receptacles are banged up against the carts and their handles torn off, and, later on, holes punched in their sides and bottoms. Almost every householder in the

western section of the city, after the ash man has finished, is obliged to send out his servant and clean up the street and pavenent, with the frequent result that two large buckets of ashes are returned to the metal receptacle. It seems to me if Mr. Stutler would follow his ashmen with the are dropped from his carts through carewould have more than twelve

carts full of fragments.

HOUSEHOLDER.

#### Children's Flags. To the Editor of The Evening Star: Can any of The Star's readers tell how

many children in the public or private schools have American flags of their own, and which school is best supplied, and has the best ceremony relating to the flag, especially on Washington's birthday or the birthday of the American flag, June 14? If our school or District authorities are enthusiastically sustained by public opinion, no state in our Union will have its children better instructed than our own in their duty under and toward the flag of our Union, nor have it better shielded from shameful uses or more securely upheld in all our hearts, and maintained by all our hands. Twenty states have, within ten years, enacted laws making profane use or treatment of the flag a misdemeanor or unlawful. Shall our District do less? April 19 is Patriot's day in Massachu setts. Among the most patriotic of all in our community are our children. Would it not be well to make June 14 dren's day," and let our good people see how ready the children are to serve and swear by the flag that represents all that is good in our nation under "the power which creates" "our republic of states." This matter is not confined to any one organization. But men of every "name and sign" are in earnest that our flag is commercial asset," but a symbol of free men's "true heart's hope and home" and

The Surrender of Cornwallis. To the Editor of The Evening Star:

those for whom it is a symbol intend it shall be respected at home and abroad. B.

I desire to call your attention to a smal misstatement occurring in the very interesting account of the proposed statue in memory of Count de Rochambeau, published Saturday, April 20. It is made to appear that an opportunity was afforded the Marquis de Lafayette to receive the surrender of the army of Lord Cornwallis at Yorktown. The impression is created that the surrender was a hasty one, and that Gen. Washington hurried to the scene and received the sword of Cornwallis. Authentic historians relate that pro

posals for surrender were made by Cornwallis directly to Gen. Washington. The surrender was not hasty, but was accom-plished after a prolonged armistice, and an interval of two days elapsed between the beginning of negotiations for surrender and the actual capitulation. Although the surrender was made by Lord Cornwallis, yet he did not in person attend the seremony of surrender, nor did he give up his sword to Gen. Washington. The British commander was indisposed, we are

Ann Arbor, Mich., Prof. Asaph Hall fortold, and sent Gen. O'Hara to surrender the garrison of Yorktown; and we are further told that Gen. Washington referred warded his resignation of membership. The vacancies existing were filled by the elec-tion of Mr. C. C. Glover, Prof. Langley of O'Hara to Maj. Gen. Lincoln, whom he had designated to receive the surrender of the British army. Reliable historians who the Smithsonian Institution and Mr. F. stick closely to facts do not mention an surrender of the British officer's sword The ceremony was conducted with the characteristic impressive dignity of Washington.

WILLIAM P. McKEE. 809 22d street.

out in lieu of ashes left behind, I would train for Naples.

#### SETTLED OUT OF COURT. Government Buys Tract of Land and

Disposes of Suit. The injunction case of Ell Gaffield agt. Joseph Strauss, inspector of ordnance, in charge of the naval proving grounds at Indian Head, Md., which was instituted last summer in the circuit court of Charles county, Md., by Richard B. B. Chew. ir., and George E. Hamilton, attorneys, praying the court to pass a restraining order to prevent the defendant his agents and employes from shooting shells or other projectiles from Indian Head on or over the property or waters of the plaintiff, and which was referred by Attorney General Griggs to John C. Rose, United States district attorney for Maryland and which was afterward removed to the United States circuit court for Baltimore, has been settled out of court. Congress last winter ap-propriated \$25,000 for the purchase of

parties by which the government is to take possession of the property very soon. The property purchased by the government is considered one of the most beautiful on the Potomac river, consisting of an oblong island containing about 400 acres, with two miles frontage on the river and bounded on the rear by Mattawoman and Chickamuxen creeks. The property is almost opposite the village of Quantico. It is said that ex-President Cleveland, during his second administration, offered a hand-some price for the island, it being before the establishment of Indian Head, four miles above, a famous ducking shore.

the property in litigation and a contract of sale has been executed by the respective

### Withdraws Offer of \$10,000.

A New York dispatch says: The offer of a \$10,000 reward by Father Mullin of the Church of the Sacred Heart, High Bridge, for the return of William McCormick to his parents and the arrest of his kidnapers was withdrawn by the priest yesterday. Father Mullin said he had been compelled to take this action to escape a horde of mountebanks, clairvoyants and cranks of every sort who have besieged him sine he posted the money.

#### The Famine in Shansi. The Rev. T. De Witt Talmage called on

the Chinese minister yesterday, at the request of Dr. Louis Klopsch of the Christian Herald of New York, to ascertain if the reports of famine in Shansi were true and whether relief measures were practicable. Minister Wu confirmed the report of widespread suffering from famine, and stated that if the means were supplied food probably could be purchased and distrib-uted in the famine regions so as to afford

#### Mr. Hodgman Improving. Mr. A. W. Hodgman of 208 A street

southeast, who was knocked down by a wagon near East Capitol and 2d streets Friday night and seriously injured, is much better. He was in the act of boarding a street car when a delivery wagon struck him. When picked up he was unconscious.
After being attended by Dr. Boyd the injured man was removed to his home. The
driver of the vehicle did not give his name or address and consequently no arrest was

#### Escapes From Ayslum. Oliver Goff White, twenty-eight years

old, an inmate of St. Elizabeth's Asylum, made his escape from the institution Saturday evening. His description was fur-nished to the police authorities and they were requested to arrest him, if possible. A market wagon in which Albert Vinne

and his wife were returning home from market about 10:30 o'clock Saturday night was struck by an electric car at Nichols avenue and Morris road, throwing out the To the Editor of The Evening Star:

In Mr. Stutler's latest pronunciamento in regard to the fines which are to be meted out in lieu of ashes left behind, I would out in lieu of ashes left behind, I would out in lieu of ashes left behind, I would out in lieu of ashes left behind, I would out in lieu of ashes left behind, I would out in lieu of ashes left behind, I would out in lieu of ashes left behind, I would out in lieu of ashes left behind, I would out in lieu of ashes left behind, I would out in lieu of ashes left behind, I would out in lieu of ashes left behind, I would out in lieu of ashes left behind, I would out in lieu of ashes left behind, I would out in lieu of ashes left behind, I would out in lieu of ashes left behind, I would out in lieu of ashes left behind, I would out in lieu of ashes left behind, I would out in a state of active eruption, and many people, scientists, occupants. Mr. Vinne was slightly injured about the head, while his wife's back and leg were hurt. The injured people were get along without women."—New York given medical treatment.

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## Hoeke's One-Third

niture this week-suites and separate pieces-with one

Hoeke,



CONDENSED LOCALS

Lottle Desmond was taken to the Emergency Hospital Saturday afternoon for treatment for an overdose of morphine. She was in a stupor when found in her room in a house on 13th street, but recovered soon after she reached the hospital.

Policeman Auguste rendered assistance, and a representative of the board of children's guardians was notified, and the child was put in charge of a nurse. Marion Jones of Colfax street north vest, was today convicted in the Police Court of kicking French Walden. The pen-

alty imposed by Judge Scott was a fine of \$10, with thirty days in jail in default of Car No. 118 on the Le Droit Park lin

was slightly damaged. spent last night at the house of detention because relatives failed to meet her at the depot upon her arrival from Pittsburg. Her uncle was found today by the police,

in the Police Court of slapping Clarence Patterson, a boy, in the face, and Judge Scott fined him \$5. The fine was paid.

### From the Philadelphia Press.

"One thing about these clgars," said the stingy man, handing a "two-fer" to his friend, "is that they last so long."
"Naturally," replied the other, "I suppose they do last a fellow till he gets to the end of his rope."

# Boys' Short Pants Suits.

If it comes out of the Saks' stock of Boys' Clothes mothers know what confidence to put in it. Now, then, here are three lots of typical values specially reduced for TUESDAY:

Boys' Novelty Suits: some with wide sailor collar, and others with small mannish coat collar and separate vest; both nearly braid frimmed.

\$1.00

Boys' Double-breasted Knee Pants Sults; strictly all wool and fast colors; lined with durable Italian cloth; sizes 7 to 16 years and RE-DUCED from \$3.50 to. Boys' Double-breasted and Novelty Suits, including Sailors and Brownies; the Double-breasted Suits have TWO PAIRS OF PANTS; all wool and fast colors; sizes 3 to 16 years. Regular, \$5. SPECIALED at

## Special Reduction in Boys' Hats.

Beats even our Saturday Specials, for we've brought these lots forward for one day at prices that are LOWER THAN EVER BEFORE quoted

Boys' All-wool Golf Caps, with meteerized silk linings; new shapes and all sizes, REDFCED from 25c, to

Boys' Genuine Fur Felt Fedora and Golf Hats, in istest spring shapes and shades. REDUCED from \$1 to Roys' Oxford Mixed and Steel Golf Hats; the very newest styles, RE-DUCED from \$2 to 98c.

Notion Bargains for Tuesday.

5-rard pieces Wide Black Velvetine Skirt Binding, that's 15c. a piece reg. 81/2C.

25-yard Spools Black Hand-sewing Silk; the usual 3c. kind. SPECIAL ... 1/2C.

### Pictures.

Fancy Photographs, in and 14x17, and worth 75c. Not over 39c. Fancy Photographs, in gilt frames; size

Fancy Photographs, Black and White of fects; in Gilt and Black frames; some

One-Fourth reductions on Parlor Furgreat big leader-

3-piece Sutte, uphol-stered in damask, and worth \$21, for... \$13.85 Send for us when you want the Curpets taken up. We'll store them all summer, too, if you want. Cheapest and best service.

Home's Fittings. Pa. ave. and 8th at

An abandoned colored infant, a few days old, was found in Cullinane alley south-west about 11:30 o'clock Saturday night.

jumped the track at Florida avenue and 4th street last night. The car slid over the asphalt payment and struck against a tree. No one was injured, and the car Lottie Payne, colored, fourteen years old.

and he took charge of the little one. Mark Wood, a grocer, was today convicted

the end of his rope.

## Separate pair of cuffs with each, and full line of sizes. But the Black Chantilly Edges and Insertings; assorted widths and choice new patterns. 7c. and 9c. a yard are the actual 5c. specials.